

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 – 20 have been canceled. New claims 21 – 43 have been added, and are believed to distinguish over the prior art previously cited. Consideration of these claims is respectfully requested.

A transmittal authorizing the Commissioner to charge the fee for continued examination and the fee for a three month extension is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 that may be due on this application to Deposit Account 17-0055. The Commissioner is also authorized to treat this amendment and any future reply in this matter requiring a petition for an extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time as provided by 37 CFR § 136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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